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SUBJ: GOT RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. MILITARY ACTIVITIES:

IMPORTS, BASE EXCHANGES AND APO

1. MFA DIRGEN FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS YAVUZALP CALLED IN
MSA COUNSELOR THIS AFTERNOON (AUGUST 8) AND GAVE HIM ENGLISH
TEXT OF NEW CUSTOMS CIRCULAR REGULATING IMPORTS FOR U.S.
MILITARY ACTIVITIES. BX'S AND COMMISSARIES OUTSIDE CDI'S,
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E.G. ANKARA AND IZMIR, TO BE CLOSED IMMEDIATELY. APO

PARCEL POST WILL NOT RPT NOT BE DELIVERED AFTER SEPTEMBER 15.
(TEXT TRANSMITTED IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING TELEGRAM.)

2. YAVUZALP EXPLAINED THAT FOREIGN MINISTRY ATTEMPTED TO PROVIDE AS MANY BENEFITS AS POSSIBLE WHILE ADHERING TO BASIC PROVISIONS OF NATO/SOFA. HE NOTED THAT EXTENSION OF BENEFITS UNDER PARAGRAPH 4 SOFA ARTICLE 11 TO DEPENDENTS AND CIVILIAN COMPONENTS REQUIRED "GOVERNMENT DECISION". MFA HAS RECOMMENDED THAT PRIME MINISTER DECIDE IN FAVOR OF SUCH AN EXTENSION, HE SAID, AND HOPES LAWYERS WILL NOT DETERMINE THAT CABINET DECREE IS REQUIRED.

3. YAVUZALP'S DEPUTY ASULA THEN BRIEFED MSA COUNSELOR ON CERTAIN ASPECTS OF CUSTOMS CIRCULAR. HE NOTED THAT BASE EXCHANGES AND COMMISSARIES OUTSIDE CDI'S SHOULD BE CLOSED UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTE BUT MFA WOULD UNDERSTAND IF TWO OR THREE DAYS REQUIRED TO CLOSE THEM DOWN. NATO HEADQUARTERS IN IZMIR COULD HAVE COMMISSARY AND PX UNDER SEPARATE NATO AGREEMENT BUT THIS MUST BE ATTACHED TO HEADQUARTERS AND FOR HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL ONLY. WHEN MSA COUNSELOR POINTED OUT THAT LASP PARAGRAPH OF ARTICLE 3A OF CUSTOMS CIRCULAR STATED THAT POST EXCHANGES WOULD NOT BE PERMITTED OUTSIDE CDI'S BUT MADE NO MENTION OF COMMISSARIES, ASULA SAID THIS WAS AN ERROR AND THAT BAN ALSO APPLIED TO COMMISSARIES AND OFFICERS CLUBS. WHEN MSA COUNSELOR EMPHASIZED HARDSHIPS COMMISSARY CLOSURE IN PARTICULAR WOULD POSE FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL IN ANKAR AND IZMIR, ASULA STATED THAT THESE WERE HOPEFULLY VERY TEMPORARY MEASURES WHICH COULD BE REVISED " WHEN SITUATION CHANGES AS IT MUST." ASULA ALSO SPOKE OF POSSIBILITY MAKING SOME ARRANGEMENTS WITH CUSTOMS AND POSTAL AUTHORITIES UNDER WHICH DELIVERY OF PACKAGES COULD BE RESUMED WITH APPROPRIATE TURKISH CONTROLS. MACOMBER

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